

House Resolution 1991

By: Representative Smith of the 113th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation was started 60 years ago by three
4 Lions Clubs to provide vision and hearing care to uninsured and underinsured individuals
5 throughout Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, this outstanding organization works in collaboration with a network of hearing
7 and vision professionals throughout this state and is supported by the Lions Clubs and a vast
8 array of foundations and private donors; and

9 WHEREAS, the Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation's hearing program provides hearing
10 aids to almost 1,000 people a year, helping to put an end to the isolation and loneliness that
11 can be caused by a hearing impairment; and

12 WHEREAS, working with the Georgia Commission on the Hearing Impaired and Deaf
13 Persons, the Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation has distributed 3,885 hearing aids and
14 given 2,204 people back the gift of sound; and

15 WHEREAS, with the average cost of a hearing aid at around \$3,000, the foundation helps
16 clients below the federal poverty line obtain hearing aids who would never be able to afford
17 them; and

18 WHEREAS, the foundation's vision clinic has grown to serve 400 patients annually to now
19 serving over 5,000 patients a year, providing eye exams and eyeglasses; and

20 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding work of this fine
21 organization and its numerous contributions to the citizens of this state be appropriately
22 recognized.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
24 the members of this body commend the exemplary service of the Georgia Lions Lighthouse
25 Foundation in providing Georgians in need with the gift of sight and sound.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
27 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Georgia Lions
28 Lighthouse Foundation.